



**EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Kabul, Afghanistan**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE TO IMMIGRANT VISA APPLICANTS
CONCERNING THE REQUIRED USE OF ONLINE FORMS**

Your Next Step:

If you are applying for a Special Immigrant Visa (SIV) as a translator or interpreter who worked with the U.S. Armed Forces or under Chief of Mission authority click [SI Visa](#) for instructions about how to proceed.

If you are applying for a Special Immigrant Visa (SIV) as a person who worked for or on behalf of the U.S. Government in Afghanistan Click [SQ Visa](#) for instructions about how to proceed.

Otherwise...

If you received one or more fee invoices from the National Visa Center (NVC) but have not paid the fee(s) you must pay the required processing service fee(s) to continue your application. Click [Fee Payments](#) for instructions.

If the Affidavit of Support (AOS) processing service fee has already been paid then the petitioner must submit form I-864. Click [submit I-864](#) for instructions.

If the principal applicant's immigrant visa application processing service fee has already been paid, then each applicant must submit an application for immigrant visa and alien registration. **Note:** Derivative beneficiaries may pay their immigrant visa application processing service fee later, but must pay it before they can receive a visa.

All immigrant visa applicants who received correspondence from the NVC on or after October 1, 2011 **initially requesting** agent registration or fee payments must use the new Online Immigrant Visa Application and Alien Registration, Form DS-260. Click [Online Forms](#) for instructions.

Applicants whose cases were **already in process at the NVC** on October 1, 2011 must use the earlier paper Immigrant Visa Application and Alien Registration, Form DS-230. Click [Paper Form](#) for instructions.